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Senate Resolution 1192

By: Senators James of the 35th, Fort of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Brown of the 26th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King has long been recognized for her active
- 3 leadership roles in her community and throughout this state and her deep commitment to
- 4 spreading the Word of God to others; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a native of Houston, Texas, Reverend King was greatly influenced by her
- 6 grandmother, Ida Bates Lewis, an active woman in the church, and her father, Lee Andrew
- 7 Lewis, the first African American motion picture operator in Texas; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Reverend King was called to serve the Lord at an early age and began teaching
- 9 Sunday school at Antioch Baptist Church at the age of 13 and had her first public speaking
- 10 engagement as Women's Day speaker at 15; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Reverend King earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Texas Southern
- 12 University and a master's degree in social work administration from Atlanta University and
- 13 is the founding minister of the Hillside Chapel and Truth Center, Inc., in Atlanta, Georgia;
- 14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, she has demonstrated her commitment to teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ
- through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual
- 17 needs of others throughout the world, traveling extensively throughout the United States and
- 18 to Finland, Russia, England, Israel, Egypt, Kenya, Senegal, South Africa, the Caribbean,
- 19 Brazil, and British Guiana; and
- 20 WHEREAS, an accomplished author, Reverend King has written seven books and
- 21 monologues and hosts her own television program, A New Thought, A New Life; and

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22 WHEREAS, Reverend King has been featured in several magazines, including Savoy

- 23 Magazine, Newsweek, Essence Magazine, Dollars and Sense Magazine, Focus, Atlanta
- 24 Magazine, Upscale, and Gospel Music Ministry Connection Magazine; and
- 25 WHEREAS, her commitment to uplifting the lives of others has been recognized with
- 26 numerous honors and awards, including an Atlanta Gospel Choice Award, Phenomenal
- 27 Mother of the Year Award from the Nu Lambda Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha
- 28 Sorority, an Inspiring Women 2000 Millennium Award from HUSH PRODUCTIONS, and
- 29 a NOBEL Women Shining Star Award, and was inducted into the Atlanta Business League
- 30 Hall of Fame, the Georgia's Most Powerful and Influential Women list, and the International
- 31 Hall of Honor Portraits in the Martin Luther King, Jr., Chapel at Morehouse College; and
- 32 WHEREAS, Reverend King gives selflessly of her time, talents, and energy to numerous
- 33 community organizations such as the Atlanta Women's Network, the Christian Council of
- 34 Metropolitan Atlanta, Women's Chamber of Commerce Atlanta, and Atlanta Medical
- 35 Heritage, just to name a few; and
- 36 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend King is a source of
- 37 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and
- 38 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
- 39 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for her innumerable good works rendered
- 40 on behalf of persons in need.
- 41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 42 commend Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King for her service to the Lord and her amazing
- work spreading God's message of hope, love, and compassion throughout the world.
- 44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 45 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dr. Barbara Lewis King.